ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A server is connected with multiple printers as network devices via a network. The server maps setting information to MAC addresses of the respective printers and stores the mapping to consolidate the management. Each of the printers sends a setting information transmission request including its own MAC address to the server. The server then selects setting information mapped to the MAC address and transmits the selected setting information to the printer. The printer receives the transmitted setting information and updates the storage contents of a built-in setting information memory module, based on the received setting information. This arrangement effectively relieves the load of setting operations for various network devices.